

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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PROCESS FOR PRODUCING ALIPHATIC POLYESTER REDUCED IN RESIDUAL

CYCLIC ESTER CONTENT

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## **RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION**

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of April 13, 2009, constituting a restriction requirement between (I) claims 1-8 and (II) claim 9, Applicants hereby elect the subject matter of Group I, i.e., claims 1-8.

Applicants emphasize that this election is made while reserving their rights under 35 U.S.C. § 121 to file a divisional application for the non-elected subject matter of claim 9. Action on the merits is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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